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Dear Commissioner:

Responsive to the office action mailed January 15, 2003, application owner elects species 7 shown in Figs. 2B and 3C and claims 1-48 readable thereon should no generic claim eventually be held to be allowable.

Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, Order No. 02103-347001.

Respectfully submitted,

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